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The Honorable Board of Supervisors
County of Los Angeles
383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration
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Dear Supervisors:

ADOPTED

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

27 March 4, 2014

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EXECUTIVE OFFICER

**RESOLUTION PROHIBITING PARKING OF COMMERCIAL VEHICLES
AT CERTAIN SPECIFIED LOCATIONS AND TIMES IN THE
UNINCORPORATED COUNTY AREAS OF
WALNUT PARK AND WEST ATHENS
(SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICTS 1 AND 2)
(3 VOTES)**

SUBJECT

This action is to establish parking restrictions for commercial vehicles at specified locations and times in the unincorporated County areas of Walnut Park and West Athens.

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT THE BOARD:

1. Find that these parking prohibitions are categorically exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act.
2. Adopt the resolution establishing the parking prohibition of commercial vehicles at any time with a gross vehicle weight rating of 10,000 pounds or more, pursuant to Section 22507 of the California Vehicle Code and Section 15.64.055 of the County Code, at the locations specified below.
 - On the south side of Florence Avenue between Santa Fe Avenue and Mountain View Avenue, unincorporated community of Walnut Park (Supervisory District 1).
 - On both sides of Florence Avenue between Central Avenue and Wilson Avenue, unincorporated community of Walnut Park (Supervisory District 2).

- On the south side of Florence Avenue between Wilson Avenue and Santa Fe Avenue, unincorporated community of Walnut Park (Supervisory District 2).
- On both sides of Halldale Avenue between 120th Street and El Segundo Boulevard, unincorporated community of West Athens (Supervisory District 2).

3. Instruct the Director of Public Works or her designee to post and maintain adequate signs along the affected streets in order to reasonably apprise the public as to the nature and extent of the prohibition.

PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

The purpose of the recommended action is to improve traffic safety, enhance traffic flow, and better serve adjacent properties in the unincorporated County areas of Walnut Park and West Athens. The request for these regulations was generated by the residents of the areas noted in the enclosed resolution.

Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals

The Countywide Strategic Plan directs the provisions of Operational Effectiveness (Goal 1) and Integrated Services Delivery (Goal 3) as these actions will improve traffic safety and enhance the quality of life for residents in these areas once the prohibitions are in place.

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

There is no impact to the County General Fund. Sufficient funds are included in the Fiscal Year 2013-14 Road Fund Budget to cover the minor cost of installing and maintaining the necessary signs advising the public of the parking prohibitions or restrictions.

FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

On April 30, 2002, the Board adopted an Ordinance amending Title 15 - Vehicles and Traffic of the Los Angeles County Code, Section 15.64.055, to allow the Board by resolution to prohibit or restrict parking of commercial vehicles with a 10,000 pound or more manufacturer's gross vehicle weight rating on designated streets and alleys. The resolution complies with provisions of Section 22507 of the Vehicle Code, which allows local authorities to prohibit or restrict parking, and Section 15.64.055 of the County Code, which authorizes the Board to prohibit or restrict the parking of commercial vehicles on streets or highways specifically identified in the resolution. The enclosed resolution has been approved as to form by County Counsel.

Residents of the area noted in this Board letter have requested our assistance in dealing with their traffic concerns. Subsequently, engineering investigations conducted by the Department of Public Works revealed the installation of traffic controls would improve traffic safety, enhance traffic flow, and better serve adjacent properties.

The parking of commercial vehicles has adversely impacted the quality of life and/or traffic safety on the streets and surrounding neighborhoods at the specific locations set forth in the resolution by increasing ambient noise and pollution levels, restricting visibility from driveways and side streets, and introducing undesirable opportunities for crime, graffiti, and littering. A resolution of the Board is required to designate those streets and alleys where the specific commercial vehicle parking prohibition or restriction is to apply.

ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTATION

The establishment of these prohibitions, including the installation of traffic signs to notify the motoring public, is categorically exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to Section 15301(c) of the CEQA guidelines and Class I-(x)7 of the Environmental Reporting Procedures approved by the Board on November 17, 1987.

IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)

Implementation of these parking prohibitions will have no impact on current services or projects. They will have a positive impact on traffic flow and safety as well as residents' quality of life.

CONCLUSION

Please return one adopted copy of this letter and a copy of the signed resolution to the Department of Public Works, Traffic and Lighting Division.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Gail Farber".

GAIL FARBER

Director

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Enclosures

c: Chief Executive Office (Rita Robinson)
County Counsel (Warren Wellen)
Executive Office

**RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF
THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES
PROHIBITING PARKING OF COMMERCIAL VEHICLES WITH
10,000 POUNDS OR MORE GROSS VEHICLE WEIGHT RATING
AT CERTAIN SPECIFIED LOCATIONS AND TIMES IN THE
UNINCORPORATED COUNTY AREAS OF
WALNUT PARK AND WEST ATHENS**

WHEREAS, the County of Los Angeles Board of Supervisors is empowered, pursuant to Section 22507 of the California Vehicle Code, to restrict the parking of certain commercial vehicles on County roadways; and

WHEREAS, Section 15.64.055 of the County Code authorizes the restriction or prohibition of parking commercial vehicles with a gross vehicle weight rating of 10,000 pounds or more on designated public streets and/or alleys; and

WHEREAS, Section 15.64.055 of the County Code requires that any such restriction or prohibition be designated by resolution of the Board of Supervisors; and

WHEREAS, the parking of commercial vehicles has adversely impacted the quality of life and/or traffic safety on the streets and surrounding neighborhoods listed below.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that commercial vehicles with a manufacturer's gross vehicle weight rating of 10,000 pounds or more are prohibited from parking at anytime at the following locations, and the penalty for such violation shall be as set forth in this Code:

1. On the south side of Florence Avenue between Santa Fe Avenue and Mountain View Avenue, unincorporated community of Walnut Park (Supervisory District 1).
2. On both sides of Florence Avenue between Central Avenue and Wilson Avenue, unincorporated community of Walnut Park (Supervisory District 2).
3. On the south side of Florence Avenue between Wilson Avenue and Santa Fe Avenue, unincorporated community of Walnut Park (Supervisory District 2).
4. On both sides of Halldale Avenue between 120th Street and El Segundo Boulevard, unincorporated community of West Athens (Supervisory District 2).

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the foregoing parking restrictions of this resolution shall not apply to commercial vehicles when performing the following activities:

1. Necessary loading and unloading.
2. Performing a service activity within 100 feet of the adjacent lot or parcel of land receiving the service.
3. A lawful commercial use on the adjacent lot or parcel of land.
4. The construction of buildings or structures within 100 feet of the adjacent lot of parcel of land where the construction activity is taking place.
5. The construction or maintenance of a highway.

BE IT ALSO FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Director of Public Works is instructed to post and maintain adequate signage along the affected streets in order to reasonably apprise the motoring public as to the nature and extent of the prohibition and the exceptions thereto.

The foregoing resolution was adopted on the 4th day of March, 2014, by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Los Angeles and ex officio of the governing body of all special assessment and taxing agencies and authorities for which said Board so acts.



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Executive Officer of the
Board of Supervisors of the
County of Los Angeles

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Deputy

APPROVED AS TO FORM

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